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UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION NO: 10/718,144  
APPLICANT: DE VOLDER, Laurent  
FILING DATE: November 20, 2003  
TITLE: APPARATUS FOR PRINTING OBJECTS OF THE TABLET  
TYPE, IN PARTICULAR MEDICAL TABLETS AND  
PROCESS THEREFOR

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- [X] Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2004 for three month(s) from June 11, 2004 to September 11, 2004. Submitted herewith is check No. 5256 for \$ 950.00 to cover the cost of the extension. If a check is lost, or otherwise does not accompany this Petition, please charge my deposit account number 50-1965 in the appropriate amount to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

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### **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 10 of this paper and include a replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.